

Newark Association Committee of Concern

N. J. DIVISION
NEWARK LIBRARY

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Dear

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The Committee of Concern is moving along nicely, and it appears that we have the potential for meaningful progress.

However, as you know, the group is presently composed mainly of those persons who have already made their marks in the community. That is, we have the nucleus for solid horizontal communication.

What we need most of all at this time is the establishment of more and better diagonal communication. It is necessary and proper that each of us, individually, strive to bring into the group those persons who are poor and deprived!!

Middle-class blacks and middle-class whites cannot afford to presume what the poor and deprived need and what their aspirations are! We need their voice; we need their active participation! Besides, our coming together will be a re-affirmation of all the great goals of democracy which we are yet to achieve.

How about it? Let's get the ghetto residents in and encourage their participation!!

Counting on you!!!

Respectfully,

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